

# Plymouth Rock

'50



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Plymouth,

Illinois

1949-1950



To the one & only  
With Love  
Dorris L. Lawton  
(your mother?)

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Mary

Plymouth



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# Plymouth Rock

— presents —

## “It’s Hour Show”



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## Foreword

We, the Class of 1950, aided by our grand advisors, Miss Prentice and Mr. Lawton, have brought out this annual with the idea of making a permanent record of the school activities which have taken place this year, and with the hope that in the years to come, you will be able to look back through this book and relive all the happy moments of this school year.

Our theme this year is a big radio show, with the students and teachers of Plymouth High School as the stars of the show. There are thrills and happy moments galore, so just sit back and enjoy the big show.











Starring

# The Quiz Kids

— and —

## Welcome Travelers

— in —

**THE PARADE OF STARS  
NEWS ON THE SPOT  
TEEN-AGE TIME  
SPORTS REVIEW  
DO YOU REMEMBER?**

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Miss Prentice  
Mr. Lawton



## Dedication

To Miss Prentice we dedicate this book;  
Find out our reasons by taking a look.

M—stands for modest which well describes her.  
I—is for the interest shown us in her classes,  
S—is her sweet disposition, not anger,  
S—is her sincere guidance of lads and lasses.

P—is for the patience she has shown us.  
R—is her quick responses to our many needs;  
E—energy is hers' without a fuss—  
N—is for nice things and neatness, not naughty deeds.  
T—swell teacher and friend of everyone,  
I—ingenuity in planning our yearbooks,  
C—cheerful attitude, and things well done—  
E—is for everything, character and good looks.

Put them all together, they mean "Carrie."  
The boys will envy the man she'll marry.





*Garrie Prentice*







# The Parade of Stars



|                         |              |
|-------------------------|--------------|
| FATHER KNOWS BEST.....  | School Board |
| GUIDING LIGHT.....      | Faculty      |
| QUIZ KIDS.....          | Seniors      |
| JUST PLAIN JUNIORS..... | Juniors      |
| PEOPLE ARE FUNNY.....   | Sophomores   |
| TODAY'S CHILDREN.....   | Freshmen     |



## **Father Knows Best**

We are proud of the members of our school board and appreciate their efforts in maintaining our school building, hiring the teachers, appropriating sufficient funds for supplies and necessities, and for helping to improve our curriculum.

There are seven members on the school board. James Lawton, the President, operates an Accounting Service in Plymouth. He has one child of school age. Harold Huey, the Clerk, is engaged in farming and has one child in school. Paul Powell is engaged in farming and has four children of school age. Laurel Brown is the senior member of the board and is also engaged in farming. Howard Kenneday is engaged in farming and has one child in school. Phillip Hedgecock is employed in Colchester and has two children of school age. David Phelps, who is also engaged in farming, has four children in school.

The members of the board receive little or no glory for their services which are performed gratis. To them the members of the class of "50" say "Thank you" for giving them such happy and worthwhile school days.

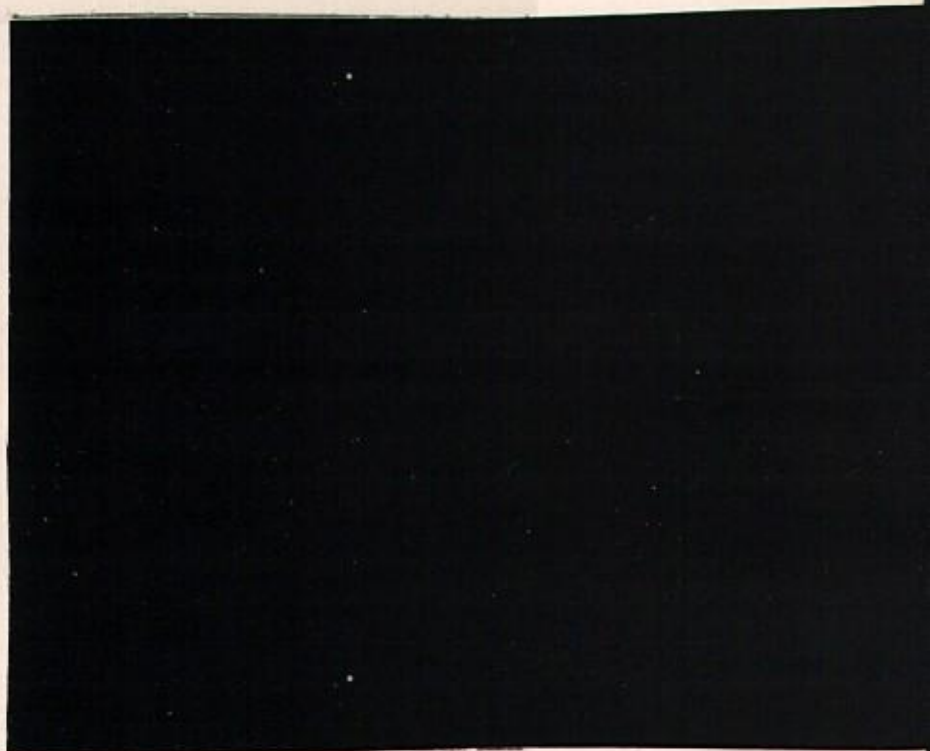
## **School Board Names**

Seated left to right: Howard Kenneday, Phillip Hedgecock, Harold Huey, David Phelps, Paul Powell, Laurel Brown. (James Lawton, absent)





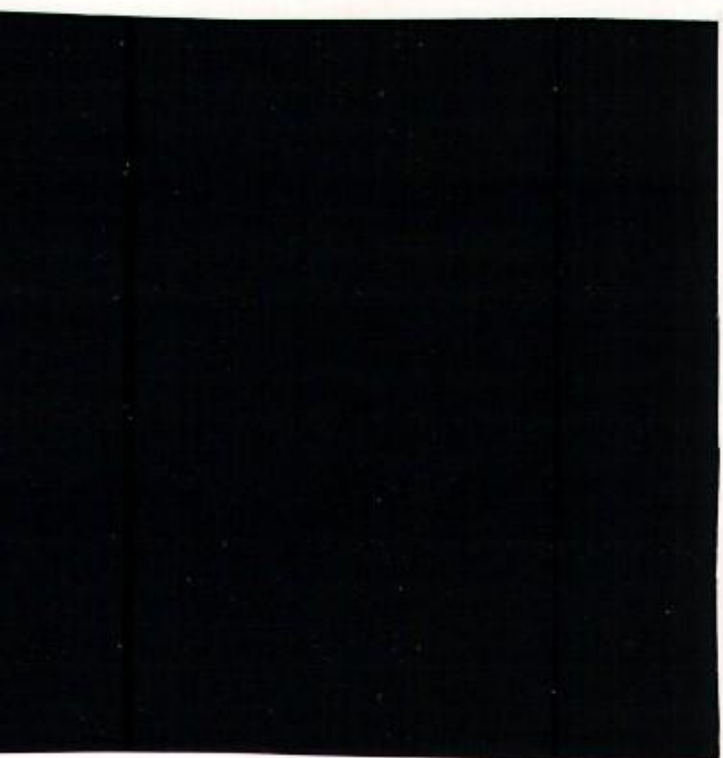
*Ivan Davis*



*John Lawton*









# Guiding Light

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## Faculty Autographs

Thomas L. Mitchell ~ Best of luck, Joyce ~  
John Lawton "Best Wishes"





*Thomas Mitchell*



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*Juanita Scott*



*Alice Virgin*



*Paul Senger*



*Leland Schnake*



*Dorras Gravens*



*Carrie Prentice*







# Quiz Kids

## Class History

SEPTEMBER 1946—At the opening of school in 1946, thirty-four green, frightened freshmen gathered from the Plymouth area to take up their new studies in Plymouth High School. Our class consisted of twenty-three boys, Richard Clark, Bill Roberts, Bill Phelps, Wendell Loy, Ronnie Vail, Edward Mecum, Gene Wilson, Bill Waddell, Jim Robinson, Howard Roberts, Max Hopping, Merlin Daniels, John Kelly, Darrell Boos, Howard Williams, Ronnie Loy, Lee Lovell, Tony Fugate, Loren Wickert, Harry Lee Rash, James Kelly, and Ross Sargent; and eleven girls, Earleen Creasey, Bonnie Alexander, Joan Martin, Marjorie McGinnis, Pat Downing, Irma Jean Ware, Betty Hillyer, Pat McCutchan, Joan Aleshire, Anna Mae Normandin, and Avis Jean McCutchan. Later Becky Murfin joined us for a short time and we lost Edward Mecum.

On the second Friday after school started, the juniors gave us our initiation into high school. We came to school dressed in short pants and short dresses. In the evening we were given a fine party by the juniors, the refreshments consisting of alum, raw eggs, and green persimmons, and the entertainment running up and down the cinder path barefoot, jumping into tubs of water, and other such tricks. Everyone took it in good humor.

Other activities during the year consisted of a hayrack ride, a coasting party, and bake sales.

Class officers for the year were Darrell Boos and Joan Martin, Presidents; Harry Lee Rash and Pat Downing, Vice-Presidents; Avis Jean McCutchan and Anna Mae Normandin, Secretary-Treasurers. Mr. John Leddom was our class sponsor.

SEPTEMBER 1947—On September 2, twenty-seven boys and girls returned to Plymouth High as sophomores. We had lost Gene Wilson, Tony Fugate, Marjorie McGinnis, and Richard Clark, and had been joined by Pat Kepner and Ronnie Quaife.

Soon after school started we had an election of officers. The officers for the year were Harry Lee Rash, President; Pat McCutchan and Betty Hillyer, Vice-Presidents; Anna Mae Normandin and Pat Downing, Secretary-Treasurers. Our sponsor was Coach Roger Schieferdecker.

On October 3 we gave the seniors a hayrack ride in return for the party they had given us our freshman year. Other activities included bake sales to raise money.

SEPTEMBER 1948—Here we were, Jolly Juniors, coming back up the walk to the little red schoolhouse on September 7, the first day of school in 1948. Our class had shrunk a little more, leaving only twenty-four members. We



had lost Merlin Daniels, Ronnie Quaife, Ronnie Loy, and Bill Roberts, and had been rejoined by Richard Clark.

Officers for the first semester were Loren Wickert, President; Betty Hillyer, Vice-President; Pat Kepner, Secretary; Joan Aleshire, Treasurer. For the second semester they were Harry Lee Rash, President; Pat Downing, Vice-President; Pat McCutchan, Secretary; Avis Jean McCutchan, Treasurer. The sponsors for the year were Miss Carrie Prentice and Coach Schnake.

September 24 was the big day we had all been waiting for since our freshman year. It was our turn to initiate those poor green freshmen. Though we made them come dressed in every kind of costume imaginable we treated them fairly gently, and there weren't too many complaints.

We picked our class rings on October 29 and received them on December 24, in time for Christmas.

Our first big money-making project for the year was the Junior-Senior Penny Carnival, which was held on November 12. There was a good turnout and everyone had a good time. Other money-raising projects included bake sales, selling candy at noon, selling pop and candy at basketball games and magazine sales.

On February 21 the freshmen gave us a party in the gym.

The class play, "Brides to Burn," was presented in the Congregational Church on April 29. It was a great success.

The Junior-Senior Banquet was held at the Marine Room in Macomb on May 3. The group broke up into two sections after the banquet and went to see shows.

SEPTEMBER 1949—September 6 brought us back to P.C.C.H.S. for a try at our last year of high school. The members of the Class of 1950 who had struggled along to their last year in school were Pat McCutchan, Anna Mae Normandin, Darrell Boos, Jim Robinson, Lee Lovell, Loren Wickert, Pat Kepner, Bonnie Alexander, Irma Jean Ware, Max Hopping, Earleen Creasey, James Kelly, John Kelly, Bill Phelps, Richard Clark, Harry Lee Rash, Ross Sargent, Joan Aleshire, Pat Downing, Avis Jean McCutchan, and Harley Speers, who joined us this year. All of the last six except Speers have gone through all twelve years of school together. Betty Hillyer, Ronnie Vail, and Howard Roberts had left us. Howard Williams is in the Air Corps but will graduate with us.

Class officers elected for the year were Darrell Boos, President; Ross Sargent, Vice-President; Lee Lovell, Secretary; Loren Wickert, Treasurer; Pat Keppner and Ross Sargent, student council representatives. Miss Prentice was again our sponsor, along with Mr. Davis.

The senior pictures were taken on November 8 and arrived on December 12, in time for Christmas.

The class play, "Susie," was given on November 15. It was a big success.

The Junior-Senior Penny Carnival was held on March 24. There was a good turnout and each class grossed a tidy sum.

The trip for this year is to be a trip to Washington, D. C., if enough money can be raised to finance it. A work day is being planned for the Seniors to help raise the money.

Baccalaureate will be on May 28 and graduation will be May 31.



# Senior Sketches

## AVIS JEAN McCUTCHAN

F.H.A. 1,2,3,4  
G.A.A. 1,2,3,4, Pres. 1, Treas. 2,3  
All High Play 1,2  
Class Treas. 1,3  
Declamation 1,2,4  
Chorus 1,2  
Band 2,3,4  
Junior Play  
Senior Play  
Pep Squad 4  
Librarian 4  
Newspaper Staff 3  
Yearbook Staff 4

## PAT McCUTCHAN

G.A.A. 1,2,3,4, Point Keeper 3  
F.H.A. 1,2,3,4, Treas. 3,  
Reporter 4  
Declamation 1,2  
Band 1,2,3,4  
Chorus 1,3  
Class Sec. 3 Reporter 1,  
Vice-President 2  
Cheerleader 2,3,4  
Librarian 4  
Senior Play  
D.A.R. Award 4  
Yearbook Staff 4

## ANNA MAE NORMANDIN

F.F.A. 1,2,3  
All High Play 1  
Class Sec. & Treas. 1,2  
Band 1,2,3,4  
Declamation 1,2  
G.A.A. 2,3,4  
Senior Play  
Yearbook Staff 4

## ROSS SARGENT

Band 1,2,3,4  
Class Reporter 1,3,  
Vice-Pres. 4  
Basketball 2,3,4  
Librarian Staff 3  
Newspaper Staff 3  
Junior Play  
Baseball 3,4  
Senior Play  
Student Council 4  
Yearbook Staff 4

## HARRY LEE RASH

Band 1,2,3,4, Vice-Pres. 4  
Basketball 1,2,3,4  
Baseball 1,2,3,4  
Track 1,2,3,4  
Class Pres. 2,3, Vice-Pres. 1  
Junior Play  
Yearbook Staff 3  
Newspaper Staff 3  
Senior Play  
Librarian 4  
Yearbook Staff 4

## JIM ROBINSON

Basketball 1,2,3  
Baseball 1,2,3,4  
Track 1,2,3,4  
Band 1,2,3,4  
Junior Play  
Senior Play  
Newspaper Staff 3

## PAT KEPNER

Industry High 1  
G.A.A. 2,3,4, Reporter 3,  
Pres. 4, Vice-Pres. 4  
F.H.A. 2,3,4, Pres. 2, Vice-Pres. 3,4  
Chorus 2,3  
Band 2,3,4  
Cheerleader 2,3,4  
Declamation 2  
All High Play 2  
Newspaper Staff 3  
Senior Play  
Student Council Pres. 4  
Class Reporter 4  
Pep Squad Drummer 4  
Yearbook Staff 4

## BONNIE JEAN ALEXANDER

Chorus 1,2,3,4  
Band 1,2,3,4, Sec. & Treas. 4  
G.A.A. 1,2,3,4  
Declamation 1,2,4  
F.H.A. 2,3,4  
Librarian 3,4  
Junior Play  
Senior Play  
Pep Squad 4  
Yearbook Staff 4



PAT DOWNING

G.A.A. 1,2,3,4, Vice-Pres. 2  
F.H.A. 1,2,3,4, Pres. 3,4, Vice-  
Pres. 2  
Band 1,2,3,4  
Chorus 1,2,3  
Class Vice-Pres. 1, Sec. & Treas. 2,  
Reporter 3  
Declamation 1,2,3  
All High Play 2  
Cheerleader 2,3,4  
Junior Play  
Pep Squad Drummer 4  
Student Council 4  
Yearbook Staff 4

MAX HOPPING

F.F.A. 1

JIM KELLY

Band 1,2,3,4

JOHN KELLY

LEE LOVELL

Basketball 1,2  
F.F.A. 1,2  
Basketball Manager 3,4  
Class Sec. 4  
Senior Play  
Yearbook Staff 4

JOAN ALESHIRE

Band 1,2,3,4,  
Chorus 1,2,3,4  
F.H.A. 1,2,3,4  
G.A.A. 1,2,3,4, Vice-Pres. 3,  
Pres. 4  
Declamation 1,2,3  
Librarian 3  
Junior Play  
Class Treas. 3  
Pep Squad 4  
Senior Play  
Student Council 4  
Yearbook Staff 4

DARRELL BOOS

Band 1,2,3,4, Pres. 4  
Baseball 1,2,3,4  
Class Pres. 1,4  
Junior Play  
Senior Play  
Track 3  
Basketball 3,4  
Student Council 4  
Yearbook Staff 4

RICHARD CLARK

F.F.A. 1,3  
Colchester High School 2

EARLEEN CREASEY

Band 1,2,3  
Chorus 1,2,3  
F.H.A. 1,2  
Declamation 2  
Homecoming Queen

HARLEY SPEERS

IRMA JEAN WARE

Band 1,2,3  
G.A.A. 1,2,3,4  
F.H.A. 1,2,4, Sec. 4  
Chorus 1,2,3  
Class Sec. 1, Reporter 3  
Majorette 1,4  
Junior Play

LOREN WICKERT

F.F.A. 1,2, Sec. 2  
Class Reporter 2, Pres. 3, Treas. 4  
Junior Band 2,3  
Librarian 4  
Yearbook Staff

HOWARD WILLIAMS

Junior Play

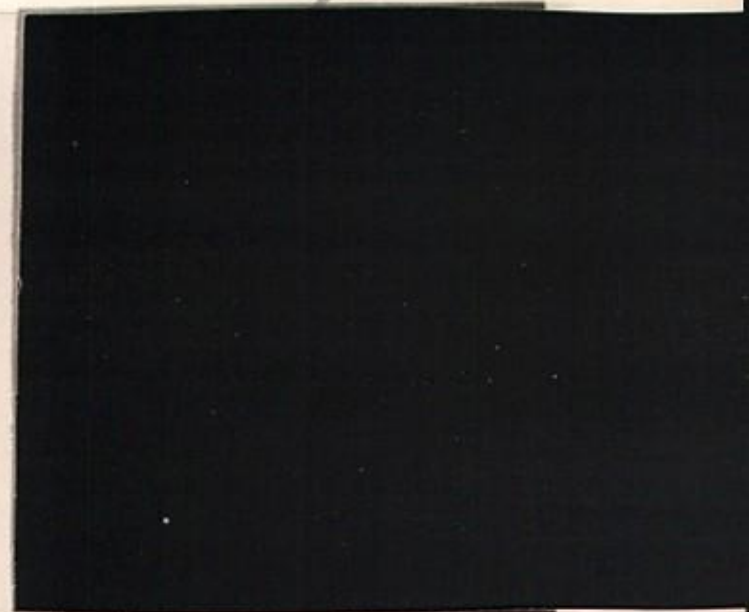
BILL PHELPS

F.F.A. 1,2,3,4, Vice-Pres. 2,3,  
Pres. 4  
Baseball 2,3,4  
Student Council 4





*Harry Lee Rash*



*Loren I. Wickert*



*Pat Downing*



*Anna Mae Normandin*



*Earleen Creasey*



*Darrell Boos*



*Ross Sargent*









*ma Jean Ware*



*Avis Jean McCutchan*



*Bonnie Jean Alexander*



*Bill Phelps*



*John Kelly*



*James Robinson*



*James Kelly*









*Pat Kepner*



*Richard Glark*



*Joan Aleshire*



*Pat McGutchan*



*Lee Lovell*



*Max Hopping*



*Howard Williams*



*Harley Spear*







# Class Poem

Anna Mae Normandin

Harry Lee shall lead the class  
It's fitting that he shall  
'Tis he who claims the highest grades  
'Tis he who studies well.

A bonny lass is Avis Jean  
Who claims she's partly Irish  
Her etiquette is always right  
Her manners always stylish.

Conservative is just the word  
(He's gonna buy a car!)  
Yet Loren seems to wonder  
Will his account go that far?

A charmed brunette who likes to dream  
With personality to show  
McCutchan is the most of fun  
A girl you'd like to know.

Here's a toast to two brothers  
Each a really swell guy  
And Jim and John are loads of fun  
Although they're quiet; rather shy.

Sometimes called by "Amazon"  
She's the class's athlete  
Kepner thinks that studying is  
Simply obsolete!

J. O. strides to manhood  
In his slow but steady gait  
As "blower" of the baritone  
The band is left to fate.

As the rose does slowly blossom  
Become a beauty in its prime  
So shall Irma's dreams be visioned  
In a duly length of time.

He likes washing blackboards (?)  
She enjoyed being Queen  
The former one is Max  
The latter, Earleen.

Flaming hair and sparkling eyes  
By men she's rated neat  
At night Pat D. is ne'er alone  
While walking down the street.

And why is Harley called by "Speed?"  
I see no real connection  
As yet, the girls have never seemed  
Charmed by his affection.

When Cupid set his target  
He only took one stare  
For Lee and Jo, it seems to me  
Are quite a charming pair.

A tall, dark, and handsome lad  
Darrell is the name  
He loves and sings, but yet considers  
Life a merry game.

"Roscoe" is the subtle "wheel"  
With legal airs; acts like a clown  
He prides himself on basketball  
(Well-known about the town!)

Laughing in the study hall  
Laughing in the gym  
Bonnie Jean is lots of fun  
So full of pep and vim.

Gonna be a farmer  
Like his Dad, I bet  
Bill deserves the best of luck  
A finer lad isn't met.

Richard's just a country boy  
Yet full of roguish wit  
History seems the best of classes  
(That's where he uses it!)

A dark-haired guy with loving ways  
A friendly disposition  
Decided he would join the Air Force  
For Williams craved ambition.

Piano plays predominant  
In "Annie's" estimation  
Of classicals she's known to like  
But also syncopation.

And so the Seniors leave behind  
Those friendly hours; that "special  
beau"  
And from the school where we  
Freshmen climbed  
Just four short years ago.



| NAME         | NICKNAME  | 1950                                    | 1962                                              |
|--------------|-----------|-----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| A. McCutchan | "Pat"     | Cramming her hope chest.                | Still cramming.                                   |
| eshire       | "Jo"      | L.L.'s pet coon.                        | Burlesque queen                                   |
| Alexander    | "B. W."   | First Murderer                          | Dope Fiend                                        |
| elps         | "Dopey"   | A—student                               | Ag. teacher                                       |
| an Ware      | "Jackson" | Majorette                               | Model for Esquire Magazine                        |
| Clark        | "Dick"    | Helping father                          | Owner Black Angus champion                        |
| rgent        | "Roscoe"  | Big wheel                               | Minister                                          |
| an McCutchan | "A. J."   | Puppy Lover (LW)                        | Owner of "Dog Haven"                              |
| Lee Rash     | "Hash"    | Brain                                   | Foreman on tugboat                                |
| A. Downing   | "Pat"     | A study-hall cut up                     | Surgeon                                           |
| J. Kepner    | "Amy"     | Amazon                                  | Weight-lifter in a side show                      |
| elly         | "John"    | Hard-worker                             | Owner of super-market                             |
| Speers       | "Speed"   | Trudgin' along                          | Hot-rod racer                                     |
| l Williams   | "Heyday"  | Grease-monkey at Keesler Field Airport  | Operator of Plymouth                              |
| D. Robinson  | "J. O."   | Dodging work                            | Filibustering senator                             |
| Boos         | "Boos"    | Lover of Al Jolson                      | Starring in the new hit, "Jolson's Still Singing" |
| M. Normandin | "Annie"   | Piano lover                             | Pianist with Spike Jones                          |
| Kelly        | "Big Jim" | Physics lover                           | Radio technician                                  |
| opping       | "Max"     | Studying hard                           | Partner in Hopping & Hopping Law Firm             |
| a Creasy     | "Squeek"  | Seeing to it                            | Ditto                                             |
| ee Lovell    | "Lee"     | "Coffin Carrier" for Schnake            | Undertaker                                        |
| Wickert      | "Wick"    | Arf! (Barker at the Jr. - Sr. Carnival) | Dog Catcher                                       |



## **Just Plain Juniors**

There were eighteen Juniors this year who lived up to the name of "Jolly Juniors." Our sponsors were Miss Virgin and Mr. Lawton. Our officers for the first semester were: President, Beulah Shipman; Vice-President, Barbara Payne; Secretary, Barbara Myers; Treasurer, Esther Rampley; Reporter, Maxine McKinley. We elected new officers for the second semester, President, Merle Fost; Vice-President, Lowell Thompson; Secretary, Barbara Payne; Treasurer, Esther Rampley; Reporter, Della Smith. Our first activity was initiation. It proved to be very lively, and the Juniors got the worst end of it in cleaning up the gym. We made some money towards the prom from the Curtis magazine sale contest. The girls sold more than the boys so the boys treated the girls to a chili supper, with a show in Macomb afterward. We had a float for Homecoming with the theme, "Plow 'Em Under." The Junior play will be sometime in April. It's called, "It's A Date." And last but not least, both the Junior-Senior Carnival and the Junior-Senior Prom are coming up soon.

## **People Are Funny**

At the beginning of the year our class officers were: Jim Rankin, President; Edward Hoyt, Vice-President; Paul Urton, Secretary and Treasurer; Joyce Martin, Reporter. The Sophomore Class sold hot dogs at all the home basketball games. We also had charge of the school pop machine. After the Christmas Holidays the class elected new officers: Janis Waner, President; Norma Kepner, Vice-President; Shirley Wilson, Secretary; Merlene Johnson, Treasurer and Reporter. Three new students, Shirley Wilson, Merle Twidwell, and Lyle Webster joined our Sophomore Class after the first semester.

## **Today's Children**

On the sixth day of September in 1949, twenty-five entered Plymouth Community Consolidated High School. The first semester class officers were: President, Jerry Cookson; Vice-President, Kayo McCollum; Secretary, Carolyn Moss; Treasurer, Francis Kamm; Reporter, Marilyn Kenneday. Our advisors were Mr. Senger, Mr. Mitchell and Miss Holman.

During the first semester we were sorry to lose Robert Reeves, Jerene Roberts, and Doris Husband. We were glad to welcome Helen White who was with us about a month, leaving near the end of the first semester.

The representatives for Student Council from our class were Marilyn Kenneday, Jerry Cookson and Kayo McCollum.

Our second semester class officers were: President, Jerry Cookson; Vice-President, LaVerne Roberts; Secretary, Francis Young; Treasurer, Wayne Lovell; Reporter, Donna Creasy.



## **Junior Class**

Seated: Miss Virgin, Esther Rampley, Lowell Thompson, Merle Post, Barbara Payne, Mr. Lawton.

Second Row Standing: Beulah Shipman, Barbara Myers, Alberta Dowacter, Della Faye Smith, Maxine McKinley, Joyce Pickard, Velma Norris.

Third Row Standing: Dick Burton, Gale Downey, Roger Emery, Robert Eddington, Jim Manley, Dick Miller.

## **Sophomore Class**

Seated: Mr. Schnake, Mary Jo Schultz, Merlene Johnson, Norma Kepner, Janis Waner, Shirley Wilson, Shirley Lord, Mrs. Cravens.

Second Row Standing: Bill Clayton, Junior Phelps, Merle Twidwell, Edward Hoyt, Wayne Roberts, Paul Urton, Ronald Shipman, John Pointer.

Third Row Standing: Doris Gray, Donna Ewing, Geraldine Simmons, Lois Twaddle, Joyce Martin, Ila Ware, Shirley Powell, Betty Grove,

Fourth Row Standing: Jack Stoneking, Ivan McClain, Jim Rankin, Duane Thompson, Roger Fugate, Carl VanFleet, Ted Aleshire, Minor Van Brooker, Kenneth Heyen.

## **Freshman Class**

Seated: Mr. Mitchell, Donna Creasy, LaVerne Roberts, Miss Holman, Jerry Cookson, Helen White, Wayne Lovell, Mr. Senger.

Second Row Standing: Jesse Pointer, Frances Kamm, Marilyn Kennedy, Carolyn Moss, Joyce Merrick, Bonnie VanFleet, Lillian Martin.

Third Row Standing: Loren Larson, Richard Garlick, Benny Waddell, Frances Young, Bob Powell, Kayo McCullom, Rodney Twidwell, Sidney Allen.











# News on the Spot



IT'S THE TOP.....Annual Staff  
PUBLIC AFFAIRS.....Student Council  
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## **It's The Top**

We, of the annual staff, have tried to picture Plymouth as it has been during the school year 1949-50. The faculty, the students, the organizations, and sports have helped make it just what it is.

We wish to express our appreciation for the co-operation that the faculty and the student body have given us in producing the 1950 annual. We hope you, as readers, will enjoy it as much as we have enjoyed assembling it.

Best of luck to the Editor and staff of the 1951 Plymouth Rock.

STAFF

## **Annual Staff Names**

Seated: Mr. Lawton, Lee Lovell, Harry Lee Rash, Anna Mae Norman-din, Joan Aleshire, Miss Prentice.

Standing: Loren Wickert, Barbara Myers, Bonnie Alexander, Avis Jean McCutchan, Pat Kepner, Pat McCutchan, Pat Downing, Ross Sargent.











## **Public Affairs**

Although several attempts had been made to form a Student Council Organization in Plymouth, this was the first year it was accomplished.

When we first organized we elected two members from each class, including Junior High classes, to serve on the Council. After being advised by a neighboring organization, we later admitted the presidents of all organizations.

Our purpose was to create a better understanding between students and teachers, and to better our school in all ways possible.

Some of our activities were a homecoming parade, dance, and crowning of a queen, an all-high school skating party, and a box supper and card party. We sent two boys, Merle Post and Kayo McCollum, to the State Convention at Peoria on April 22.

We sincerely hope that the Student Council of next year will go ahead with our purpose in mind, and carry on where we left off.

## **Reading The Funnies**

At the beginning of the school term, Mr. Davis, along with the assistance of Mr. Lawton, chose a small group of students to help with the duties of the office. Their work consisted of answering the telephone, running errands and helping with other office work. These students should be complimented for the way they accepted these responsibilities and for their dependability. They were relieved of these responsibilities February 15, when Mrs. Mitchell was employed as full-time office secretary.

## **Magazine Of The Air**

The library staff has a mountainous job the first month this year when all Junior High books were dumped in the high school library. There was a great deal of time spent preparing these books for the shelves. The librarians shelved and checked some 150 books and magazines each day due to the large enrollment and the large assemblies. This work was voluntary and time consuming and the staff should be complimented on their unselfish citizenship.



## **Student Council**

Seated: Mr. Prentice, Joyce Martin, Ross Sargent, Pat Kepner, Beulah Shipman, Mr. Lawton.

Second Row Standing: Jerry Cookson, Marilyn Kennedy, Jim Rankin, Pat Downing, Joan Aleshire, Merle Post, Bill Phelps, Janis Waner, Kayo McCullom.

Third Row Standing: Kenton Hoyt, Sandra Allen, Jerry Kimble, Joyce Lawton, Janet Winters, Glen Aleshire.

## **Office Staff**

Seated: Barbara Payne, Mr. Davis, Joan Aleshire, Merle Post.

Standing: Jim Robinson, Shirley Powell, Irma Ware, Anna Mae Normandin, Lee Lovell.

## **Library Staff**

Seated: Sid Allen, Bonnie Alexander, Mrs. Scott, Harry Lee Rash, Velma Norris, Sandra Allen.

Second Row Standing: Lowell Thompson, Maxine McKinley, Merle Post, Pat McCutchan, Loren Wickert, Beulah Shipman.

Third Row Standing: Carolyn Powell, Avis Jean McCutchan, Wayne Roberts, Joyce Pickard, Lillian Martin.











# **This Is Your Life**

## **Useful Mathematics**

Keeping in mind the capabilities and limitations of pupils entering high school, we offer a course in practical and useful mathematics for those who have found arithmetic difficult and who feel the need for a better understanding of its processes before entering the abstract field of algebra. This class is usually small, and thus we can give personal attention to individual weaknesses.

## **Agriculture Class**

The agricultural department consists of Senior, Bill Phelps; Juniors, Robert Eddington, Dick Miller, Jim Manley, Lowell Thompson, Gale Downey; Sophomores, Billy Clayton, Roger Fugate, Kenneth Heyen, Ivan McClain, Junior Phelps, John Pointer, Dick Shultz, Duane Thompson, Merle Twidwell, Verle Twitchell, Minor Van Brooker, Carl Van Fleet, Lyle Webster; Freshmen, Sidney Allen, Jack Breeden, Jerry Breeden, Wayne Lovell, Jesse E. Pointer, Robert Powell, Rodney Twidwell, Benny Waddell, with Mr. Senger as advisor.

Our best means of learning has been through the visual education method. We have used many movie films which were rented or borrowed and many slide films which have been added to our department. We purchased a form for concrete hog troughs, built lawn chairs and hoghouses, as class activity.

About \$150 worth of new tools have been added to our department this year, and we are hoping for a shop next year for our farm mechanics classes.



## **Homemaking Class**

We are the home makers of tomorrow! Through home economics we are learning to make successful, happy homes for our families. Family relations bring to us the idea of sharing and co-operating in our homes. Home planning makes us interested in making our homes more beautiful and more convenient. In our foods classes we learn how to serve food correctly, what foods are necessary for good health, and how to prepare our food in the most desirable manner. We have clothing classes not only to learn to sew, but also to learn what type and color of clothes look best on us. Grooming is a part of our program, too. In this unit we learn to have a better personal appearance. Through these varied units in home economics we strive to be better homemakers.

## **Physics Class**

The Physics class during the past year has endeavored to do two things. The first was to satisfy the curiosity that a class, which was composed entirely of boys, would have concerning many of the marvels of both man and nature. Secondly, was to show the relation of the principles of Physics to our daily life, such as might be connected with automobiles, electrical apparatus, and the many various types of machines.

## **Typing Class**

There was a large enrollment in typing the past year chiefly because the course was opened to Sophomores. There were 35 enrolled in Typing I and 15 in Typing II. In the first semester of Typing I major emphasis was placed upon learning good co-ordination and control of the machine. When that was attained, they then worked for higher rates with a higher degree of accuracy. During the second semester they learned to type personal and business letters, addressing of envelopes, practical problem typing involving outlines, programs, themes, manuscripts, etc.

Typing II classwork varied widely. The first part of the year they typed a lot for the office. These students were responsible for most of the writing and typing of the material for the yearbook. They typed numerous programs for various community organizations. They spent a lot of time on complicated business letters and tabulated reports. Other classwork consisted of typing of postal cards, index cards, telegrams, legal documents and the use of the ditto machine. They also worked hard to attain high rates. We were especially proud of our two 70 word typists, Joan Aleshire and Anna Mae Normandin.

At the time of this writing Harry Lee Rash and Pat McCutchan have typed 55 words and several others have typed 50 words on their ten-minute timings.



















# World News Roundup

## Achievements

It is with pleasure that we list some of the outstanding achievements of our students and our school.

The music contest was held at Carthage this year. We were very proud of Shirley Powell, who entered a piano solo, as she received a first place rating. She will enter the meet at Macomb later in the spring.

Patricia Ann McCutchan, a student of high scholastic ability plus a nice personality, was chosen by her class and faculty to receive the D. A. R. good citizenship award for 1950. As a result, she had the pleasure of attending a luncheon at the Abraham Lincoln Hotel in Springfield. D. A. R. winners from all over the state were invited to attend this luncheon. Later in the afternoon they were taken on a tour where they visited the home of Abraham Lincoln, Lincoln's tomb and the Centennial building.

Anna Mae Normandin entered an essay, "Selling As A Career" in a contest. There were entries from forty schools surrounding Quincy. Anna Mae's essay placed third and as a reward she had the pleasure of attending a banquet at the Lincoln-Douglas Hotel, Quincy, where she received a portable radio for her efforts. Her essay will also be entered in the National Contest.

In the field of sports, Harry Lee Rash was chosen on the All-star La-moine Valley Conference basketball team in the guard position.

The F.F.A. boys entered a meet last fall and brought home four first-place ribbons. Dick Miller, Verle Twitchell, Dick Schultz and Lowell Thompson each received first place honors for showing grain. Minor Van Brooker, Ivan McClain and Bill Phelps received second place honors for showing grain. Kenneth Heyen received a second and Robert Eddington and Lowell Thompson received thirds for poultry judging. Bill Phelps, F.F. A. President, received the Honorary DeKalb Award for outstanding scholarship, citizenship and farm practice at the Father-Son Banquet in April.

A number of F.H.A. girls attended the F.H.A. Rally at Quincy. Pat and Norma Kepner received first place honors for their singing.

Congratulations are in order for Harry Lee Rash, Valedictorian of the Class of 1950. Only one point separates Pat McCutchan and Anna Mae Normandin for Salutatorian so it looks as if second place honor will be in doubt until the end of the year.

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One of the outstanding accomplishments of the year was the purchasing of new band uniforms. The co-operation of the band mothers, P. T. A., business men and friends of the school was largely responsible for this achievement. The band and entire school body are very grateful to each and everyone who helped make these uniforms possible.

The band received a twenty-five dollar prize for their performance at Nauvoo last fall.

Another achievement of considerable importance was the successful organization of a Student Council. This organization then undertook to sponsor the first homecoming of Plymouth High School which proved to be quite successful. It is hoped that a homecoming will continue to be an annual affair at Plymouth High.





# Teen-Age Time



|                        |             |
|------------------------|-------------|
| RADIO WARBLERS.....    | Chorus      |
| BAND OF TODAY.....     | Band        |
| MUSICAL FAVORITES..... | Quartets    |
| PERSONALLY YOURS ..... | Majorettes  |
| CURTAIN TIME.....      | Senior Play |
| THE SHOW GOES ON.....  | Junior Play |
| THE BIG STORY.....     | Declamation |
| BREAKFAST CLUB.....    | F.H.A.      |
| FARM WORLD TODAY....   | F.F.A.      |



## Autographs

George Meyer  
G've got troubles - don't  
know what to put here.



## **Radio Warblers**

The main event of the year for the chorus was the opportunity of singing with the All-School Chorus at the Hancock County Music Festival at Carthage.

Other public appearances will be at the Annual Spring Concert and at Baccalaureate and Commencement Services.

## **Band of Today**

This has been a very busy year for the band. Their activities started early in the year; in fact, the first week of school. They were invited to participate in the Annual Grape Festival Parade at Nauvoo. This involved hurried preparation and concentrated practice on their marching. Their reward for this was the twenty-five dollar first place prize they brought home which helped their band fund along.

Then came another invitation asking the band to take part in the 50th Annual Homecoming at W. I. S. C. The band marched in the parade and also played in the mass band concert consisting of 1,000 high school musicians.

Later on they had the opportunity to participate in the mass band concert which was given during the Hancock County Music Festival at Carthage.

Along with these activities the band has also been very busy raising money for new uniforms. A program to raise money was given with Dot and Small Burdette donating their talents to provide the feature attraction. A white elephant sale was sponsored by the band which they started off by showing their newly acquired marching technique. They also cooperated with the band mothers in several food and bake sales.

Probably the highlight of the year was the receiving of the new uniforms. A free concert was given to express their appreciation of the loyal support which was given by the community in raising funds.



## **Chorus**

First Row: Sandra Allen, Nancy Nelson, Doris Gray, Janice Garlick, Evelyn Creasy, Wanda Gray, Frances Kamm.

Second Row: Roberta Downey, Carolyn Powell, Donna Ewing, Mr. Mitchell, Esther Rampley, Barbara Payne, Janet Winters.

Third Row: Marilyn Kennedy, Iris Clark, Charlotte Hatch, Barbara Myers, Maxine McKinley, Joyce Pickard, Beulah Shipman.

Fourth Row: Norma Kepner, Della Faye Smith, Joan Aleshire, Bonnie Jean Alexander, Mary Jo Schultz, Carolyn Moss, Merlene Johnson, Shirley Mayall.

## **Band**

First Row: Anna Mae Normandin, Pat McCutchan, Pat Downing, Karol Twidwell, Janice Waner, Avis Jean McCutchan, Barbara Payne, Joan Aleshire.

Second Row: Merlene Johnson, Mary Jo Schultz, Joyce Martin, Shirley Powell, Shirley Moss, Betty Grove, Carolyn Moss, Esther Rampley.

Third Row: Norma Kepner, Barbara Myers, Donna Ewing, Kenneth Heyen, Cecil Roudebush, Jack Stoneking, Edward Hoyt, Ross Sargent, Pat Hedgcock, Joyce Pickard, Jerry Cookson.

Fourth Row: James Kelly, James Robinson, Kenton Hoyt, Mike Sargent, Harry Lee Rash.

Standing: Pat Kepner, Della Faye Smith, Kayo McCullom, Mr. Mitchell.

## **Personally Yours**

### **BRASS QUARTET**

First Row: Harry Lee Rash

Second Row: Ross Sargent,  
Jerry Cookson

Third Row: James Robinson

### **CLARINET QUARTET**

Front Row: Anna Mae Normandin

Back Row: Pat McCutchan, Merlene Johnson, Pat Downing

## **Maorettes**

Front: Joyce Martin

Standing: Janet Winters, Irma Jean Ware, Joyce Lawton.





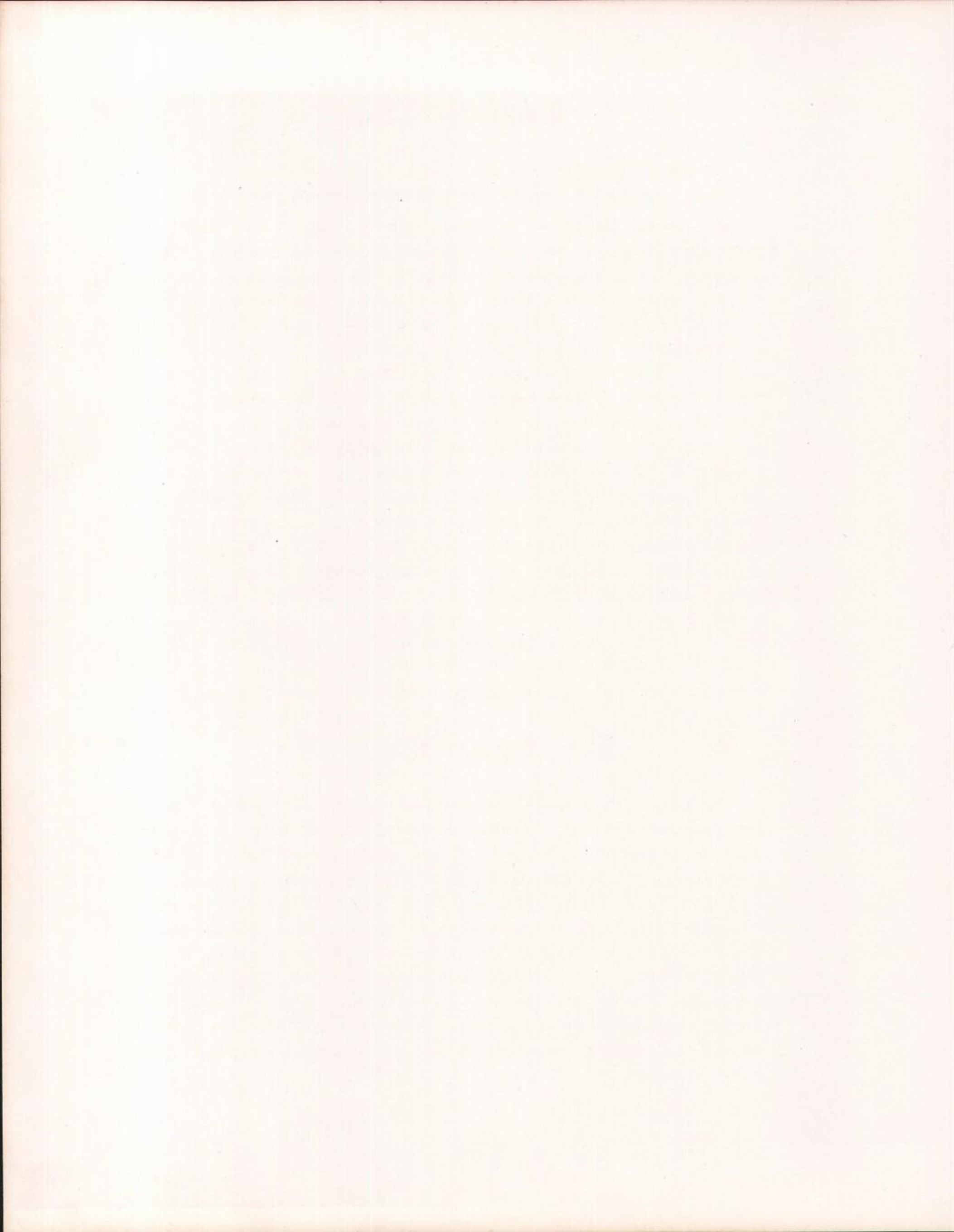














## Curtain Time

The senior class of 1950 presented their play on the evening of October 9, at the Congregational Church. The play was a three-act comedy, "Suzie."

The title roll was played by Pat McCutchan, the mischievous, fifteen year old always getting someone into trouble by entering contests. Suzie's lovely sister, Fern, (Anna Mae Normandin) has set her cap for a successful insurance salesman, Wilferd Lucas (Darrell Boos.) They become engaged, but Wilferd refuses to take Fern to places she likes to go. Wilferd and his secretary, Bertha, (Bonnie Alexander) decide everything for Fern, in fact, they even go as far as picking her home for her without consulting her. Although Fern is engaged to Wilferd, her heart really belongs to Kendall Nye, (Harry Lee Rash) a handsome young lad, not very successful in business, but who has a very charming personality. Fern's and Suzie's mother (Avis Jean McCutchan) and their Uncle George (Ross Sargent) are mainly the cause of Fern's engagement to Wilferd. Daisy Melville (Joan Aleshire) is George's girlfriend, who he has been going with for twelve years. Finally Fern decides that Wilferd is in love with Bertha. She gives Wilferd his engagement ring and tells him that she is going to marry Kendall. George and Daisy make up and the play is brought to an end with the startling news that Suzie has won a mink coat in a contest. Other members of the cast are Natalie Kramer, a friend of Suzie's, played by Pat Kepner; Matthew Browne (Lee Lovell) who finds himself engaged to Mrs. Wilcox through one of Suzie's contests; and Carl Denham, a newspaper photographer (James Robinson).

## The Show Goes On

On April 18, the Junior Class presented the three-act comedy, "It's A Date," by Jean Provence. Barbara Payne starred as Linda Rogers, the bobby-soxer who got "stood-up." Things really started happening when Linda and her pal, Nadine (Della Smith) set out to get revenge against Austin Farrell (Junior Hitz) and Diana Gordon (Maxine McKinley.) Football hero, Hal Montgomery (Merle Post) and his shadow, Buz Stevens (Lowell Thompson) enjoyed babysitting, especially when the "babes" were sixteen, blonde, and cute. Others adding to the fun were Mrs. Rogers, Barbara Myers; Mr. Rogers, Dick Burton; Valeria Rogers, Joyce Pickard; Kay Phillips, Alberta Dowacter; Ilka Marsh, Velma Norris; Patsy Fisher, Beulah Shipman; Jay Bishop, Robert Eddington; and Queenie, the Negro maid, Esther Rampley.



## **Senior Play Names**

Seated: Pat McCutchan, Harry Lee Rash, Anna Mae Normandin, Joan Aleshire, Ross Sargent, Pat Kepner, Avis Jean McCutchan, Lee Lovell.

Standing: Miss Virgin, James Robinson, Bonnie Jean Alexander.

## **The Big Story**

Five girls participated in the declamation contest this year. Taking part in the humorous readings were: Bonnie Jean Alexander with "Tom Sawyer Shows Off In Sunday School," by Mark Twain; Beulah Shipman with "Willie's Dress Suit," by Booth Tarkington; and Merlene Johnson with "Huck Finn's Cure For Warts," also by Mark Twain.

Maxine McKinley and Barbara Payne competed in the serious readings, both choosing selections by Kathryn Forbes. Maxine had "Mamma and The Hospital" and Barbara, "Mama's Bank Account."

Bonnie Alexander and Barbara Payne were chosen to represent our school in the district contest at Lewistown.

## **Declamation Names**

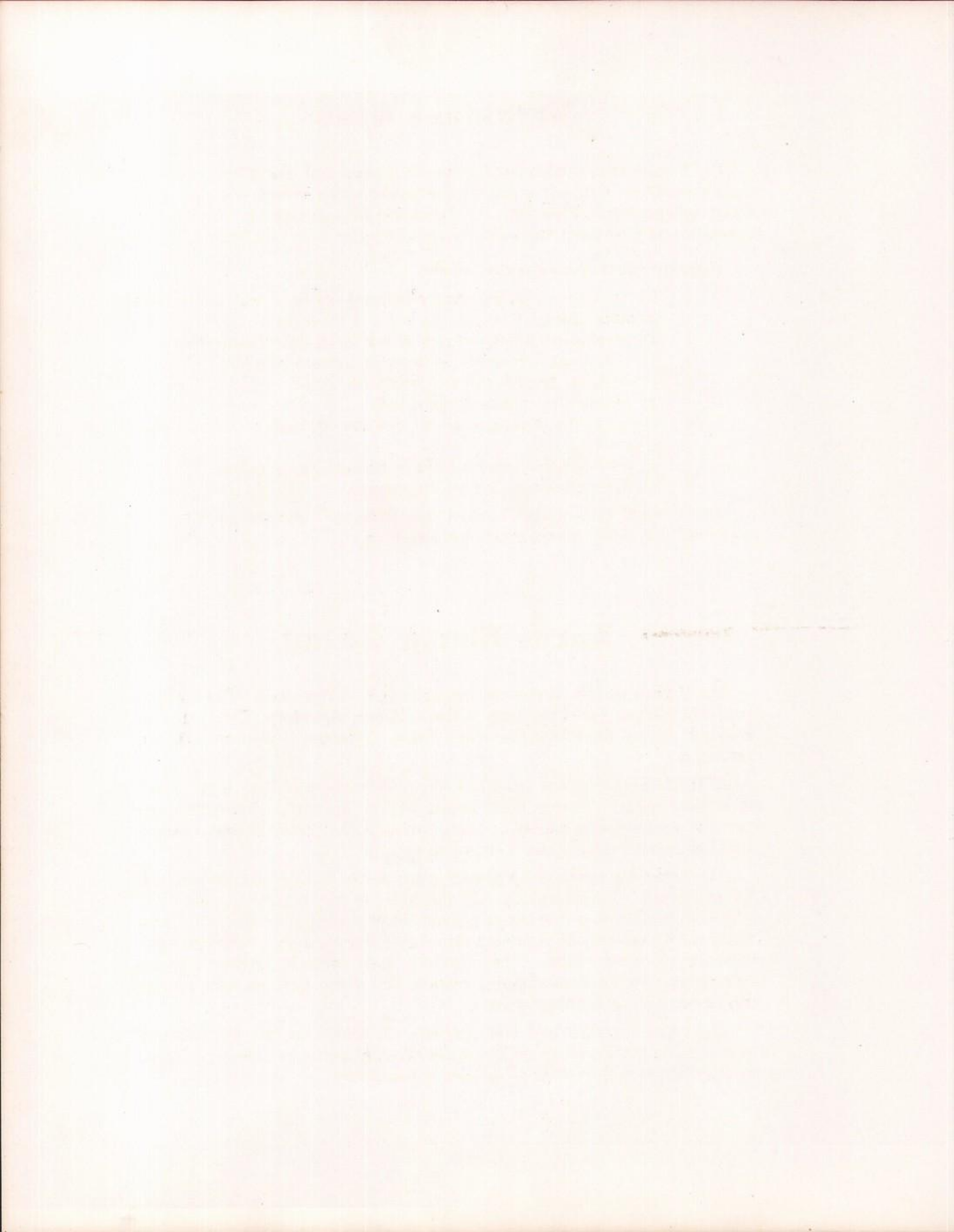
Front Row: Bonnie Jean Alexander, Miss Virgin, Avis Jean McCutchan.

Back Row: Barbara Payne, Merlene Johnson, Maxine McKinley, Beulah Shipman.











## **Breakfast Club**

The Future Homemakers of America is a National Social Organization for girls who have studied, or are studying homemaking in high school. Our officers this year were President, Pat Downing; Vice-President, Pat Kepner; Secretary and Treasurer, Irma Jean Ware; Reporter, Pat McCutchan.

The purposes of this organization are:

1. To promote a growing appreciation of the joys and satisfaction of homemaking.
2. To emphasize the importance of worthy home membership.
3. To encourage democracy in home and community life.
4. To work for good home and family life for all.
5. To promote international good will.
6. To foster the development of creative leadership in home and community life.
7. To provide wholesome individual and group recreation.
8. To further interest in home economics.

Our National Motto was "Toward New Horizons" and we tried to live up to what our motto and organization stood for.

## **Farm World Today**

The Plymouth F.F.A. was re-organized last spring with officers President, Bill Phelps; Vice-President, Richard Miller; Secretary, Gale Downey; Treasurer, Lowell Thompson; Sentinel, Duane Thompson; Reporter, Robert Eddington.

At the beginning of the year they found themselves in debt with a wagon to their credit. They sold the wagon to clear the debt. Since that they have sold garden seeds, picked up corn, had an F.F.A. program and sponsored a Donkey basketball game to make money.

As community service they pruned grape vines, fruit trees, castrated pigs and tested milk. In connection with the study of soil conservation the F.F.A. boys were allowed a free trip of observation by plane over his own farm. They built a float for the Homecoming which promoted the planting of evergreens for soil conservation. They also took field trips to inspect planting of evergreens, to see dams stopping erosion, and to see terraces and contour farming controlling running water.

The upper classmen had the privilege of attending the International Livestock Exposition, Board of Trade Building, Museum of Science & Industry, and the WLS Broadcasting station in November.



## **J. H. A.**

Seated: Mrs. Mitchell, Irma Jean Ware, Pat Downing, Pat Kepner,  
Miss Holman.

Second Row: Maxine McKinley, Frances Kamm, Mary Jo Schultz, Bonnie Jean Alexander, Helen White, Joan Aleshire, Pat McCutchan, Marilyn Kenneday.

Third Row: Avis Jean McCutchan, Beulah Shipman, Norma Kepner, Della Faye Smith.

## **J. H. A.**

First Row: Robert Eddington, Lowell Thompson, Gale Downey, Bill Phelps, Richard Miller, Duane Thompson, Mr. Senger.

Second Row: Jim Manley, Ivan McClain, Robert Powell, Roger Fugate, Carl Van Fleet, Minor Van Brooker, Kenneth Heyen, Merle Twidwell.

Third Row: Jack Breeden, Sidney Allen, Rodney Twidwell, Benny Wadell, Wayne Lovell, Junior Phelps, Bill Clayton, Jesse Pointer, John Pointer.











# Sports Review



LET'S HAVE FUN.....Girls' Athletics  
SPORTS ROUNDUP.....Boys' Athletics  
SO PROUDLY WE HAIL.....Cheerleaders



## Let's Have Fun

The Plymouth Girls' Athletic Association has been a club which offered much more than athletics for girls, which its title would lead one to believe. We had a goal of one party each month as entertainment, which worked out remarkably well. We had a skating party at Tennessee, a volleyball party, and even a slumber party in the fall at Mrs. Cravens' home, where we provided our own sleeping rolls. Hardly anyone got much sleep that night, but the Freshmen were well initiated into our organization.

We anticipate going to the river or on a camping trip when school is dismissed. We are also planning a couple of picnics.

G.A.A. offers a girl a varied program, and we are proud of the fact that all the girls in school, except a few, belong to our organization, Mrs. Dorras Cravens has been our sponsor.

## G.A.A. Names

Seated Front Row: Pat Downing, Irma Ware, Anna Mae Normandin.

Seated Second Row: Pat McCutchan, Avis Jean McCutchan, Pat Kepner, Joan Aleshire, Shirley Lord, Bonnie Jean Alexander, Mrs. Cravens.

Standing Third Row: Norma Kepner, Merlene Johnson; Joyce Merrick, Mary Jo Schultz, Esther Rampley, Carolyn Moss, Della Faye Smith, Maxine McKinley.

Standing Fourth Row: Shirley Wilson, Ila Ware, Janis Waner, Barbara Myers, Joyce Martin, Lois Twaddle, Joyce Pickard.

Standing Fifth Row: Doris Gray, Betty Grove, Marilyn Kennedy, Barbara Payne, Beulah Shipman, Geraldine Simmons, Lillian Martin, Frances Kamm.

## Pep Squad

Pep Squad was organized during the basketball season to give our cheering section a little boost. We executed various types of marching, formed letters of the opposing teams we played, and gave cheers for them.

## Pep Squad Names

Going around letter from left to right: Bonnie Jean Alexander, Joan Aleshire, Mary Jo Schultz, Avis Jean McCutchan, Carolyn Moss, Merlene Johnson, Maxine McKinley, Joyce Martin, Beulah Shipman, Barbara Payne, Marilyn Kennedy, Shirley Powell, Donna Ewing, Betty Grove, Doris Gray, Frances Kamm.

Standing: Della Faye Smith, Mrs. Cravens, Norma Kepner.











# Sports Review

## Baseball

The Plymouth club swingers won five and lost two games last fall. The Hawks two losses were handed to them by Colchester and Augusta. The battery for the team were Boos and Rash. Rankin also saw some action on the mound.

The rest of the lineup saw Junior Hitz at first and he was helped out by Downey when he was unable to play due to sickness. The hot corner was handled by Stoneking who did a very good job. Second base was patrolled by Miller, and his mate at short was Jim Rankin who also turned in a good performance. The outfield was patrolled very capably by Ross Sargent in the left sector, while Jerry Cookson covered center field and J. O. Robinson patrolled the remainder of the outer gardens. Post, Van Fleet, Phelps, Hays, and McCollum saw some action in the outfield.

| PLAYERS   | Runs | Hits | B.B. | S.O. | R.B.I. | Errors | B.A. |
|-----------|------|------|------|------|--------|--------|------|
| Rankin    | 7    | 7    | 5    | 4    | 3      | 4      | .333 |
| Hitz      | 5    | 6    | 1    | 2    | 6      | 1      | .429 |
| Stoneking | 6    | 7    | 5    | 9    | 3      | 2      | .350 |
| Rash      | 5    | 6    | 2    | 4    | 9      | 5      | .250 |
| Robinson  | 3    | 6    | 0    | 2    | 7      | 2      | .333 |
| Miller    | 4    | 5    | 5    | 6    | 2      | 0      | .250 |
| Boos      | 3    | 8    | 2    | 4    | 3      | 2      | .348 |
| Sargent   | 4    | 3    | 1    | 5    | 3      | 0      | .231 |
| Cookson   | 5    | 0    | 6    | 6    | 1      | 0      | .000 |
| Downey    | 0    | 0    | 2    | 3    | 0      | 1      | .000 |
| McCollum  | 0    | 0    | 1    | 1    | 0      | 0      | .000 |
| Van Fleet | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0      | 0      | .000 |
| Phelps    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 2    | 0      | 0      | .000 |
| ✓Post     | 0    | 0    | 0    | 2    | 0      | 1      | .000 |
| Hays      | 0    | 0    | 0    | 1    | 0      | 0      | .000 |

### THE SCHEDULE

|          |    |            |    |
|----------|----|------------|----|
| Plymouth | 0  | Colchester | 4  |
| Plymouth | 2  | Bardolph   | 1  |
| Plymouth | 1  | Colchester | 0  |
| Plymouth | 6  | Augusta    | 19 |
| Plymouth | 21 | Bardolph   | 6  |
| Plymouth | 7  | Clayton    | 4  |
| Plymouth | 4  | Clayton    | 2  |



## **Baseball Names**

Front Row: Mr. Schnake, Roger Emery, Harry Lee Rash, Ross Sargent, James Robinson, Bill Phelps, Lee Lovell.

Back Row: Kayo McCullom, Jack Stoneking, Gale Downey, Merle Post, Carl Van Fleet, Jim Rankin, Dick Miller, Jerry Cookson.

## **Basketball Names**

Front Row: John Pointer, LaVerne Roberts, Ivan McClain, Wayne Lovell, Minor Van Brooker, Sid Allen.

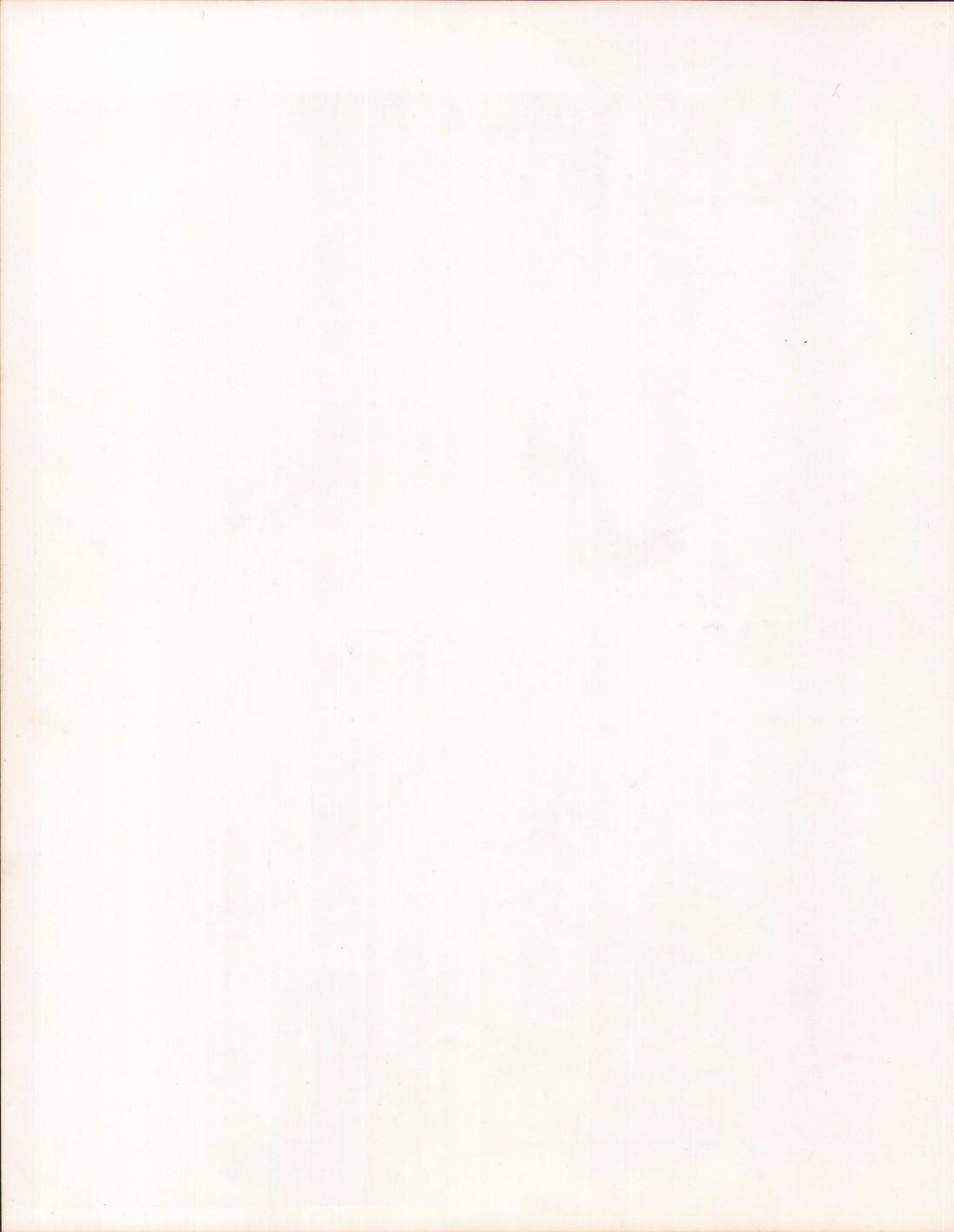
Middle Row: Jack Stoneking, Ross Sargent, Jerry Cookson, Harry Lee Rash, Jim Rankin, Carl VanFleet, Dick Miller.

Back Row: Roger Emery, Bob Powell, Lowell Thompson, Kayo McCullom, Mr. Schnake, Merle Post, Robert Eddington, Francis Young, Lee Lovell.













Jim



Roscoe



Jerry



HARRY



Cedric



Kayo



Red



DICK

Junior Hitz



JACK







## Basketball

The Hawks didn't have as good a record this year as the Hawks of last year, but they did add a trophy to the trophy case. The team had a record of 14 wins against 12 losses. The second team, sparked by Jack Stoneking and their 6' 3 1-2" center, Merle Post, won 14 games and lost 6. The Freshmen team placed third in the Mendon Freshmen Tournament.

The varsity had tough luck in tournament play this season as they lost to Bowen in the quarter finals of the Hancock County Tournament by two points. The Hawks defeated Warsaw and Mendon to win the Mendon Holoday Tournament. Bowen again defeated Plymouth by two points in the district finals.

This year found the Hawks two leading scorers, Dick Miller and Jerry Cookson, occupying the forward slots. Miller scored 311 points while Cookson netted 206. The center position was handled by Carl Van Fleet who did a lot of rebounding and was fourth high scorer. The guard positions were handled by Harry Rash and Ross Sargent, both Seniors, who did a very good job of bringing the ball up court. The reserves were Jim Rankin, Junior Hitz, Jack Stoneking, Merle Post, Darrell Boos, and Kayo McCullom. McCullom joined the squad after Boos was forced to quit because of sickness. The Hawks lose only Rash and Sargent by graduation so things look favorable for a good team next year.

### Team Record

| TEAM SCORING | Field Goals | Free Throws % | Total Points |
|--------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|
| Plymouth     | 505         | .565          | 1287         |
| Opponents    | 437         | .600          | 1210         |

### Individual Scoring

| NAME OF PLAYER  | Pos.    | F.G.      | Free Throws |          | F.T.        | T.P. |
|-----------------|---------|-----------|-------------|----------|-------------|------|
|                 |         |           | Made        | Missed   |             |      |
| Miller.....     | F. .... | 126 ..... | 59 .....    | 30 ..... | .685 .....  | 311  |
| Cookson.....    | F. .... | 81 .....  | 44 .....    | 34 ..... | .564 .....  | 206  |
| Van Fleet ..... | C. .... | 76 .....  | 34 .....    | 21 ..... | .617 .....  | 186  |
| Rash.....       | G. .... | 76 .....  | 37 .....    | 27 ..... | .578 .....  | 189  |
| Sargent .....   | G. .... | 63 .....  | 34 .....    | 33 ..... | .507 .....  | 160  |
| Rankin.....     | G. .... | 43 .....  | 33 .....    | 28 ..... | .540 .....  | 119  |
| Hitz .....      | G. .... | 29 .....  | 31 .....    | 24 ..... | .563 .....  | 89   |
| Stoneking ..... | F. .... | 7 .....   | 1 .....     | 4 .....  | .200 .....  | 15   |
| Boos .....      | F. .... | 2 .....   | 3 .....     | 4 .....  | .428 .....  | 7    |
| ✓Post.....      | C. .... | 2 .....   | 1 .....     | 0 .....  | 1.000 ..... | 5    |
| McCullom.....   | G. .... | 0 .....   | 0 .....     | 0 .....  | .000 .....  | 0    |
| TOTALS          |         | 505       | 277         | 205      | .565        | 1287 |



## Basketball Schedule

|             |   |             |    |             |   |                |    |
|-------------|---|-------------|----|-------------|---|----------------|----|
| Plymouth 36 | — | Clayton     | 45 | Plymouth 53 | — | La Harpe       | 43 |
| Plymouth 34 | — | Bardolph    | 41 | Plymouth 55 | — | Bowen          | 57 |
| Plymouth 58 | — | Colusa      | 39 | Plymouth 45 | — | Warsaw         | 41 |
| Plymouth 40 | — | Augusta     | 46 | Plymouth 53 | — | Colusa         | 33 |
| Plymouth 30 | — | Colchester  | 47 | Plymouth 58 | — | Clayton        | 50 |
| Plymouth 39 | — | Bowen       | 49 | Plymouth 66 | — | Ind-Adair      | 43 |
| Plymouth 33 | — | Dallas City | 39 | Plymouth 68 | — | Camp Point     | 37 |
| Plymouth 58 | — | Industry    | 40 | Plymouth 46 | — | Augusta        | 48 |
| Plymouth 30 | — | Arenzville  | 60 | Plymouth 65 | — | Hamilton       | 64 |
| Plymouth 67 | — | Mendon      | 37 | Plymouth 37 | — | Bowen          | 47 |
| Plymouth 51 | — | Warsaw      | 40 | Plymouth 41 | — | Colchester     | 50 |
| Plymouth 53 | — | Bardolph    | 51 | Plymouth 58 | — | St.P.P. Nauvoo | 52 |
| Plymouth 48 | — | Warsaw      | 44 | Plymouth 65 | — | Bowen          | 67 |

## Track

Why were so many boys out for track? Well, it seems the Coach made a ruling to the effect that all boys planning to play basketball next year had to report for track! That statement brought out the following boys: Jerry Cookson, dash; Kayo McCullon, dash; Harry Lee Rash, 440 yard dash and one-half mile; Jack Stoneking, 100 yard dash; Jim Rankin, 220 yard dash and 200 yard hurdles; James Robinson, shot put and last but not least, the water-boy, Dick Miller.

## Track Names

Front Row: Jack Stoneking, Kayo McCollum, Jerry Cookson.

Standing: Jim Rankin, James Robinson, Mr. Schnake, Merle Post, Harry Lee Rash, Dick Miller.

## So Proudly We Hail

### Cheerleader's Names (Following Page)

#### FIRST TEAM (upper left)

Pat Kepner, Pat Downing,  
Pat McCutchan

#### SECOND TEAM (upper right)

Della Faye Smith, Norma  
Kepner

### Cheerleader Group

Pat Kepner, Norma Kepner, Pat Downing, Della Faye Smith, Pat  
McCutchan. Front: Janie Copelan



















**Do You Remember**

**?**





## Homecoming

Plymouth Community High School held its first annual homecoming Friday, December 9, 1949.

On Thursday night, December 8, a bonfire and snake dance were held in the schoolyard. Full of enthusiasm, everyone gathered around the bonfire, and a rousing pep session took place.

Friday was big day for everyone. All classes and organizations made floats, and joined in the big parade. Led by the band, the parade went up town, around the square and back to the school house.

Friday night: low spirits—the big homecoming game was lost to Colchester.

Then came the moment anticipated by everyone. The crowning of the Homecoming Queen! The girl who received this honor was Earleen Creasy, a senior. There were five candidates for queen from the senior class, and five from the junior class. The senior candidates were Pat McCutchan, Pat Kepner, Pat Downing, Irma Jean Ware, and Earleen Creasy. The junior candidates were Della Faye Smith, Maxine McKinley, Barbara Payne, Barbara Myers, and Alberta Dowacter. The girls were escorted by the first ten boys on the basketball team. The queen was crowned by Mr. Davis and was presented with a gift by the Student Council.

The big event was finally ended with a homecoming dance in the Plymouth Skating Rink.

## Oddz and Ends

The scene is the quiet, peaceful sixth hour study hall. Suddenly Miss Virgin's familiar voice rings out, "All right you guys!" And the result is a couple more boys staying in at noon. (Just boys?)

And I'm sure we're all familiar with Miss Holman's, "All right people, I think the bell has rung."

That American History class is a mystery to a lot of people. Everything is quiet for a while, then there is a roar of laughter and there comes Sargent flying out the door. I wonder why all the teachers pick on Sargent?

Mr. Senger certainly has a time keeping his study hall. It seems those Senior girls can get pretty noisy. Mr. Senger says they giggle more than anyone he ever saw in his life.

Guess where these famous words come from: "Those eighth graders are ten times smarter than you seniors. Why, they can even read."

Some more famous last words are: "We're gettin' rimmed!" We do mean last words.

Since all the kids have gotten these false noses and glasses, it seems that some of the teachers just had to follow that pattern too. "But Mr. Lawton, your nose looks so real."

We wish to acclaim that we, the 2nd hour P. E. class, are probably the only class in school who do up our hair during P. E. class.

Wonder why Mr. Mitchell always looks disgustingly back at the drum section? Oh well, maybe he doesn't want us to jazz "Komm Susser Tod."

I, Ross Sargent, do wish to take this opportunity to thank those who were responsible for my lovely Christmas present. The inscription helped, girls, but the decorations sure were uncomfortable.



# This and That --- Day by Day

## SEPTEMBER 1949

- 6—Hi kids, back in the same old rut?
- 10—Band to Nauvoo—\$25.00—Did anybody buy wine?
- 16—Baseball Colchester there
- 19—Bardolph here
- 20—Ross, will you please be quiet?
- 23—Junior rings arrived—Money disappeared
- 27—Colchester here
- 30—Augusta there

## OCTOBER

- 3—Bardolph there
- 7—Clayton here
- 10—Here comes the English, Splash
- 11—Clayton there
- 13—Library Conference, Remember, Pat?
- 13—Junior Party—All dressed up.
- 21—Birthday Party in Am. Hist.

## NOVEMBER

- 1—School pictures—Look Purty!
- 3—Are you and Post at it again, Sarge?
- 8—Senior Pictures—Dignified Please!
- 10-11—No school—Visiting day and Armistice day
- 15—Senior Play—"Suzy"
- 17—Basketball Clayton here
- 18—Music Festival
- 21—F. H. A. Party
- 22—Bardolph there
- 24—Thanksgiving vacation, Hurrah!
- 29—G. A. A. Party



# Yea, Rah, Plymouth

## DECEMBER

- 1—Museum On Wheels—Home Ec. IV Radio Program
- 2—Basketball—Colusa—here
- 6—Augusta—there
- 9—Colchester here—Homecoming—Magician
- 12—Sr. Pictures arrived—Sore eyes
- 13—Bowen—there
- 14—There is the door, Sarge.
- 16—Dallas City—here
- 19—G. A. A. Party
- 20—Industry & Adair—there
- 22-23—No school—Ice storm & Xmas Vacation
- 23—Arenzville—there

## JANUARY 1950

- 2—Back to school.
- 3—Helen White started
- 4—Bardolph—here
- 6—Warsaw—here
- 8—Act your age Sarge, get up off the floor.
- 9-14—County Tourn.—Bowen
- 16—Jim Manley started
- 19-20—Semesters—Woe is us
- 20—Warsaw—there
- 23—Shirley Wilson started
- 24—Band Concert—New uniforms
- 25—Clayton—there
- 27—Industry and Adair—here
- 31—Camp Point—here

## FEBRUARY

- 2—G. A. A. Party
- 3—Student Council Skating Party
- 7—Augusta—here
- 8—Yearbook pictures
- 10—Hamilton there—No school—institute
- 13—We don't understand it either, John.
- 14—Bowen—here
- 15—Home Ec. Dinner for School Board
- 17—Colchester there—Helen White left us
- 20-24—Dist. Tourn.—Colusa
- 21—Lyle Webster started
- 22—Do you like your seat in front, Kepner and Downing?
- 22—No coal—No school until March 3.



# Windy, Isn't It?

## MARCH

- 4—F. H. A. Rally at Quincy
- 6—School again—Happy or glad?
- 6-9—Freshman tournament
- 10—T. E. Musselman talk in gym.
- 14—F. F. A. Program
- 17—Student Council Box Supper
- 18—G. A. A. Bake Sale
- 20—Donkey Basketball Game
- 21—Mother and Daughter Banquet
- 22—Visiting day at Macomb—"Taxi"
- 24—Jr. & Sr. Carnival
- 25—Music Contest—Good work "Blondie"
- 29—Don't you wish you could paint like Rev. Lewis?

## APRIL

- 1—Band Contest—Where is Francie, Jacket?
- 3—It is rumored that someone saw Boos at school today.
- 5—Boos showed up again
- 6—"I have been requested by your dear teacher"—Remember, Lovell?
- 7—Good Friday—Shopping day
- 13—F. F. A. Banquet

## MAY

- 3—Lamoine Track Meet
- 5—Junior-Senior Banquet and Prom
- 9—County Track Meet
- 14—We all hope that Miss Virgin appreciates our efforts put forth in American History this year.
- 25-26—Semesters—Did you really make the next grade?
- 28—Baccalaureate
- 29—Eighth graders are now freshmen. (and women)
- 31—Commencement
- 31—Good-Luck Seniors (We need it)



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Scott



Jerry



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Athletes



Joyce



Handsome Seniors



AJ & Pat



Jim



Remember



Freshman Initiation



Pals



Just taking it easy



Western



Homecoming





Friends - in school:

Donna Snow <sup>Swing</sup>  
May your life be as full of  
pleasure. As it will the next  
four years. Love Helen Meyer.

Best wishes  
to a swell friend  
Carolyn Jones  
Hood

Best of luck Joyce  
from your girlfriend  
from Belleville, Ill.  
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Nancy Schwall  
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My Relations:

Aunt Louise Beese  
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James Beese.

My   4 U "Mom".  
"Best of Luck" <sup>56</sup> Clare Lunch.  
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Good Luck  
the sweetest girl of all  
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Friends - out of school:

Good luck,  
Jack Rhodes

Best wishes to the  
Plymouth team!  
Bonnette Meyer  
Halesburg, Ill.

May your life be full  
of health, wealth and happiness  
and lots of good luck  
Ann Meyer

Teachers:

(9. m.p.)



